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# FRENCH SUCCESSES IN MEUSE SECTOR

Have Made Further Gains on Continuance of Their **Great Offensive** 

## **BRITISH RAID ENEMY TRENCHES NEAR RANSART**

German War Office Admits the Loss of Bezon Vaux and a Wood to the West of That Place-The Teutonic Armies Under Field Marshal Von Mackensen Have Crossed the Buzeu and Calmatuiul Rivers and Have Captured Great Quantities of Railroad Rolling Stock-Petrograd Concedes That the German and Bulgarian Forces Have Captured Another Town in Dobrudja.

The French are continuing their great offensive in the Meuse sector of the Verdun front and have made further gains. The British also have made progress and succeeded in Saturday night's engagements in raiding enemy trenches near Ransart and southwest of Wytschaete, gaining a foothold in both cases. The German and Bulgarian forces of the Village of Testmele, in Dobrodja.

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of Besonvaux.

The new French lines at Vacherauwille and Besonvaux and in the Chambrette farm region have been heavily
bombarded by the German guns. North
of the Andre river, in the Somme sector, British detachments attempted to
the German tranches but were reSouthwes

The Teutonic armies under Field
Marshal von Mackensen in eastern
Wallachia have crossed the Buzeu and
lower Caimatulul rivers and in addition to taking 1500 prisoners, captured great quantities of railroad rolling stock with innumerable vehicles of other kinds. The pursuit of the wooded Carpathians, the Russians, after repelling an attack by large German forces at the point of the bayonet.

More active artillery bombardments marked the Bighting in the Austro-Italian theatre. These and patrol engagements are the only events announced from this secton.

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AMERICAN DEFENCE SOCIETY PREPAREDNESS PLATFORM Organization to be Similar to That Calls for Universal Military Traini for Youth of Country.

New York, Dec. 17,-A platform of Sayville). According to a decree preparedness measures advocated by which becomes valid January 1st, the American Defence Society was 1917, mays the Overseas News Agen- made public here tonight. It contains cy, jurisdiction in the government of planks calling for: Warsaw will be completely changed. Universal militar

the carried out by justices of the peace, the district courts and the supreme court. In the courts the use of the Polish and German languages will be permitted.

Prince Lubomirski, mayor of War-

supply of rifles, uniforms, machine guns, mobile artillery and ammunition sufficient to equip an army of at least one million men.

Immediate establishment of a chain of fortified coaling stations in our five saw, and the representatives of sev-eral other Polish towns have proposed that an association of Polish towns be formed in order to realize their comformed in order to realize their com-mon interests, says a despatch from Koenigsburg, East Prussia, to the Overseas News Agency. This organi-zation will be similar to that of the association of German townships. groups of islands stretching from the Pacific coast to the Philippine Isl-

Preservation of the naval petroleun

TRAMP STEAMER AGROUND POLICE IN BOSTON WRECKED ON NEW JERSEY COAST By an Explosion of Dynamite-Nar

Off Today. Boston, Dec. 17.—The station of the harbor police in the North End district was partly wrecked today by an expiosion of dynamits that had been
placed against the outside wall. Four
officers were inside, three of them
asleep in a dormitory just above the
place where the explosion tore a hole
in the wall, but all escaped harm.
Residents along Commercial and Saluaground tonight. The coast guard cutter Mohawk and a tug made sev-eral attempts to pull her into deep water and when it was found their efforts were futile another tug was summoned from New Lork. Upon its arrival late tonight or early temorrow another attempt will be made to re-

another attempt will, be made to re-leashe the stranded vessel.

The captain and crew of 23 men re-mained aboard. Coast guards at Lit-tle Egg station said the ship is in no immediate danger. fell about them.

The police said the explosion was intended probably as an act of retallled by Industrial Workers had broken up recently. Several

PEERAGES CONFERRED ON TWO MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT. Sir William M. Aitken and Rt. Hor AUTOS TO DISPLACE STAGES C. B. Stuart-Wortley.

IN YELLOWSTONE PARK London, Dec. 17, 9.30 p. m .- The king has conferred a peerage on Sir William Maxwell Aitken and the Right Honorable Charles B. Stuart-Wortley, members of the parliament, respectively, for Ashton-Under-Lyne and the Hallam division of Sheffield. Thus two intonist seats in the house Washington, Dec. 17.—Completion of long talked of plans for substituting automobiles for the picturesque horse-drawn stages in Yellowstone National Park was aunounced tonight by Secretary Lane. Next summer there will be be ten-passenger motor cars to speend visitors through the long stretches of Lodge-Pole-Forest, giving them time to linger at points of special interest. The passing of the horse is a feature of a general reorganunionist seats in the house are va-cated for members of the new cabi-

STORM COSTLY TO NOVA

troops.

horse is a feature of a general reorgan-ization of living and transportation facilities in the park under which bet-SCOTIA LOBSTERMEN hotel and camp service is promouthern and Western Shore Strew

Yarmouth, N. S., Dec. 17.—Nova Scotia lobstermen estimate their loss by the storm which struck this coast OFF NEW BRUNSWICK COAST by the storm which struck this coast Saturday at more than \$100,000. The whole southern and western shores of the province is strewn with the wreckage of lobster traps and other gear and the destruction of many floating cars filled with lobsters adds heavily to the loss. St. John, N. B., Dec. 17.—Word of the total wreck of the British schooner laura E. Melanson off the coast of New Brunswick in Saturday's storm was received here tonight. The mate was the only member of the crew lost.

WILSON SENDS \$2,500 CHECK TO HELP MEET DEFICIT

Chicago, Dec. 7.—Five safe blowers metered a State street store early to-lay, chloroformed two watchmen, blew the safe and escaped with \$1,000.

Washington, Dec. 17.—President Wilson has sent a check for \$2,500 to Treasurer Marsh of the democratic national committee as his contribution toward meeting the deficit in the committee as a second meeting the deficit in the committee.

#### Cabled Paragraphs

London, Dec. 17. 9.35 p. m.—Lloyds announces the sinking of the Danish steamer Michael Ontchoukoff and the British schooner Constance Mary.

Norwegian Steamer Seized.

Berlin, Dec. 17.—(By Wireless to Sayville). The Norwegian steamer Birgit, bound for London with contraband, has been brought into a German port by German warships, according to the Overseas News Agentry.

Polish National Council to Meet Berlin, Dec. 17.—(By Wireless to sayville). The first meeting of the Polish national council will be held before Christmas, according to the Overseas News Agency. The initial meeting of the Polish national assembly will occur in February.

Transfer of Rumanian Foreign Offices Berlin, Dec. 17.—(By wireless to Sayville). The correspondent at Stockholm of the Lokal Anzeiger tele-graphs that during the meeting of the nanian crown council it was that the Rumanian foreign build be transported to Petrograd, the other ministries for the present being established at Kiev. FREIGHT WRECK ON

BOSTON AND ALBANY Main Line Blocked a Few Miles Outside of Worcester-No One Hurt.

Worcester, Mass., Dec. 17.-The main workester, stass. Dec. 17.—The main line of the Boston & Albany railroad was blocked a few miles west of this city yesterday by an accident to an east-bound freight train, in which 11 coal-laden cars were derailed. As a popular substantial trains to and from Albanya trains to an albanya trains to an albanya trains to an albanya trains and from Albanya trains and trai esult, through trains to and from Alany were detoured over the Boston Maine railroad through Springfield, Freenfield, Ayer and this city, and Greenfield, Ayer and this city, and trains between Boston and New York, and New York and Boston, were sent over the New York, New Haven & Hartford road by way of Putnam and New London. Passengers on local lines were transferred around in special trolley cars from Jamesville station, just west of the derailment, to the Union station here.

The freight train, bound from West The freight train, bound from West north of the railroad between Kovel and Lutsk, capturing five officers, 300 men and several machine guns and mine throwers. A thrust by the Russians near Illutkst was repulsed. This result was accomplished only after three desperate attacks, according to Patrograd. which were damaged for a distance 600 feet. No person was hurt.

GERMAN STEAMSHIP

BREAKS BRITISH BLOCKADE a Line of British Destroyers and Torpedo Boats.

Berlin, Dec. 17.—(By Wireless to Sayville). The German steamship Prinz Friedrich Wilhelm, which had been anchored at Odde, near Bergen, Norway, since the beginning of the war, has arrived at Stavanger, accord-ling to a despatch from Christiania to ing to a despatch from Christiania to the Frankfurter Zeitung "after having broken the British blockade outside Bergen." A line of two British de-stroyers and three torpedo boats, the adds, was crossed by German steamer.

The Prinz Friedrich Wilhelm is a twin screw steamship of 17,082 tons and was built in 1907. Before the war lice of the North German Lloyd line between Bremen and New York. When nostilities broke out the vessel was off the coast of Norway on a cruise to the Arctic and put into Bergen to escape capture.

MEXICAN CONFERENCES TO Not Known Whether Carranza Has Ratified Protocol.

Philadelphia, Dec. 17.— Without knowing whether General Carranza had ratified the protocol signed at Atlantic City, the American members of the Mexican-American joint commission, Secretary of the Interior Frankline K. Lane, Judge George Gray and Dr. J. R. Mott, arrived here tonight to get from the Mexican commissioners Brigantine, N. J., Dec. 17.—The Norwegian tramp steamer Juno, which went ashore off Little Beach life saving station yesterday, was still aground tonight. The coast guard cutter Mohawk and a tug made several attempts to pull her into deep carrange's representatives had said Carranza's representatives had said that they would submit tomorrow "his comments" on the protocol which had been placed before him by Alberto J Pani, one of the commis

but declined to say what answer Carranza had made or to discuss character of his comments.

ELECTRIC CAR TIPPED OVER AT TIVERTON, R. On a Sharp Curve—Six of the 45 Pas-sengers Were Injured.

Fall River, Mass., Dec. 17,-An elec-tric car containing 45 passengers tipped over on a sharp curve at the foot of Conanicut Hill in North Tiverton, R. I., today. Six of the passengers required hospital treatment for cuts and bruises but only one, Mrs. Henry Borden of this city, was regarded as eriously injured.
The car was bound here from New-

cated for members of the new cabinet.

Sir William Aitken was formerly official eye-witness with the Canadian troops.

port, R. I., over the lines of the Bay State Street Railway company. From some cause which the company officials had not determined tonight, the motorman was unable to control it in descending the hill. BANKERS UNDER ARREST

IN CITY OF MEXICO Men Are Said to Have Declined Obey an Order of General Carranza.

Laredo, Texas, Dec. 17.—William Mitchell, a British subject, manager of the Bank of London and Mexico, with Rafael Sandoval, Wilhelm Happer, Miguel Castillas, Gustave Montaudon, Federico Proal, Vincente, Echergary and Francisco J. Livera, members of the board of counsellors of that bers of the board of counsellors of that bank, are under arrest in the City of

Mexico, according to newspapers renextoo, according to newspapers re-ceived today.

No cause for the arrests is given beyond the statement that the men declined t oobey an order of General

Hartford, Conn., Dec. 17.—Patrick Murphy, 30 years old, of East Hartford, died in a hospital here today from in-juries received Saturday when he was struck by a locomotive in the East Hartford yards. He leave a wife.

### From Penury Boston Votes on **License Tomorrow**

PAL ELECTION

CLOSE VOTE EXPECTED ALL IN SIXTEEN YEARS

Anti-Saloon League Has a Big Force of Orators, Moving Picture Exhibitors and Pamphlet Distributors at

Boston, Dec. 17.—As the result of a campaign to stop the sale of intoxi-cating liquors in this city other issues of the municipal election to be held next Tuesday have been almost crowded out and there are indications that the vote on the license question will be unusually close. Close Vote Looked For.

The Boston Real Estate Exchange, advocating retention of the existing limited license system, announces in a public statement that "it is a critical situation" and that "a few thous-and votes may turn the scale." The campaign for no license has peen pushed with an energy never previously approached.

Sunday Lectures on Temperance. Evangelist services conducted tev. William A. Sunday have b devoted largely to lectures on tem-perance and his "trail hitters" at many meetings have been pledged to vote "No." The Massachusetts Anti-

at work for weeks.

The city voted last year 46,115 yes; 31,877 no. Registration this year is the largest on record, about 120,000 and a much larger vote than last year's is expected

PLANNING GREAT LINCOLN BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION At Cumberland Gap on February 11 and 12.

Akron, Ohio, Dec. 17.—The first public announcement that John Wesley Hill, head of the world court movement, has elected chancellor of Lincoln Memorial University at Cumberland Gap, Tenn., and has resigned the generater white the content of the c to accept was made by Rev. Mr. Hill today while a guest of F. A. Seiberling, a trustee of the university.

The announcement was accompanied by a statement that the trustees and faculty are planning the greatest Lin-coln Birthday celebration ever held in the United States at Cumberland

The train, pulling four trailers with a total capacity of 100 tons, has started over a route almost impassable for other vehicles. The trailers are load-ed with lumber, horseshoes, oats and other army supplies.

ANOTHER WARNING OF PRESENCE OF GERMAN RAIDER Sent Out Last Night by British

Cruiser Off Sandy Hook. New York, Dec. 17.—Another warning to shipping of the entente allies to be on guard against a German raider on this side of the Atlantic was sent out tonight by a British cruiser off Sandy Hook. The wireless message Sandy Hook. The wireless message was very largely a repetition of the one flashed a week ago and contained no new information as to the character and location of the supposed raider. It was considered in marine circles to be in the nature of a precaution.

FOUND DEAD IN HOTEL Department of the Army.

San Francisco, Calif., Dec. 17.— Colonel Henry S. T. Harris, chief sur-geon of the western department of the army, was found dead here today at Colonel Henry S. T. Harris, chief surgeon of the western department of the army, was found dead here today at the hotel where he lived. The cause of death was believed to be apoplexy. He was 53 years old. He was a graduate of Columbia university and entered the United States army in 1886. intered the United States army in 1886.

SAY KING CONSTANTINE HAS FORFEITED THRONE

Paris, Dec. 18, 13.20 a. m.—The in-habitants of the Greek Island of Lein-nos have issued a proclamation de-claring King Constantine to have forclaring King Constantine to have for-felted his right to the throne, accord-ing to a dispatch from Saloniki to the Havas Agency. A committee of prom-inent citizens has been appointed, the despatch adds, to convey the decision of the Lemnos populase to the provisional government at Saloniki.

Captain Saniel M. Lee. Fredericksburg, Va., Dec. 17.—Captain Saniel M. Lee, brother of the late General Fitzhugh Lee and nephew of General Robert E. Lee, died here last night at the age of 71 years He served in the Confederate army.

ed in the Confederate army.

George Perry,

Liverpool, O., Dec. 17.—George Perry, member of the old Baltimore Oriole baseball team and later a player in the American League and American As-

Plainfield Merchant Dropped Dead Plainfield, Conn., Dec. 17.—James G. Miller, a prominent merchant of this town and Sterling dropped dead today of heart disease. He was 46 years old and is survived by his wife and two

Philadelphia, Dec. 17.—Nearly \$10,-00 for the relief of Poles in the war one was subscribed at a mass meet-ng here tonight. Ignace Jan Pad-

# to Opulence

PARAMOUNT ISSUE OF MUNICI- RAPID RISE OF THOMAS COCHRAN IN NEW YORK

Arrived in New York Virtually Penniless 16 Years Ago-Is to Become Partner in the Firm of J. P. Morgan & Co. January 1st.

New York, Dec. 17.—Thomas Cochran, president of the Liberty National bank of this city, who came to New York virtually penniless 16 years ago, will become a partner in the firm of J. P. Morgan & company on Jan. 1st, it was announced tonight.

He was born in St. Paul, Minn, March 20, 1871, his parents having moved to that city from New York state. At the age of 29 he came to New York city in search of fortune. His first employment here was with New York, Dec. 17 .- Thomas Coch-His first employment here was with a real estate company. He earned a salary that the average

man in Wall street today would con-sider small until he attracted the at-tention of Henry P. Daylson, then vice president of the First National bank, but now a member of J. P. Morgan &

company. "Promising Young Man." In a search for "promising young men" Mr. Davison "discovered" Cochran and selected him, together with Seward Prosser, now president of the Bankers Trust company, to aid him in Saloon league, which has charge of the no-license activities, has kept a big force of orators, moving picture big force of pamphlet distributors. Seward Prosser, now problem in a plan to reorganize the Astor Trust company. Mr. Davison became chair-Astor Trust company and Mr. Cochran was made vice president. His rise in financial circles was rapid after that. In Mr. Cochran's third year at Yale his father met with business reverses and the young man worked his way through the fourth year. After grad-uation he taught for a year, then for two years did railroad work in Albany before going to St. Paul. He is now a director in numerous banks and commercial organizations. He will be the youngest of the 12 partners in the firm of J. P. Morgan & company.

> RETURN TO PRIVATE PRACTICE Not a Candidate for Reappointment as U. S. District Attorney.

New York, Dec. 17.—H. Snowden Marshall, United States district attor-new for the southern district of New York, annuanced today that he will not Coin Birthday celebration ever held in the United States at Cumberland Gap on February 10, 11 and 12.

U. S. ARMY OFFICERS

TEST TRACTOR TRAIN

Over a Route Almost Impassable to Other Vehicles.

San Antonio, Texas, Dec. 17.—Final tests by the United States army officers of a caterpillar tractor train now under way in the Big Bond districts to the same of the principle of the same of the Indictment of men active in Labor's

> EFFORTS TO FLOAT SUMNER TEMPORARILY ABANDONED. in a Dangerous Position.

New York, Dec. 17.—Efforts to floathe United States transport Sumner which went ashore off Barnegat, N. J., last Monday, were temporarily abandoned tonight by order of the war department. Colonel John M. Carson, Jr., in charge of the army quartermaster depot in New York, said, nowever, that the work would be renewed as soon as the weather permits.

The Sumner, according to Colonel Carson, has sprung a leak and is in a much worse position than at any time since she grounded. The men of the Sumner's crew, who had remained on board, were brought here last night.

VILLA REPORTED AS

BEING AT MATACHES Nearest Point to Pershing Expedition Since Bandits Left Chihuahua City.

General Trevino's brother, Francisco Trevino, late civil governor of Chi-huahua, and several staff officers accompanied him.

Other mexicans who arrived here to-day reported Villa was at Matachio north of Guerrero. This is the nearest to the territory occupied by the fall of Chihuahua City.

SEPARATION OF GENERAL SALAZAR FROM VILLA

to Government Troops.

Chihushua City, Mexico, Dec. 17.— During the strict secrecy kept by Gen-eral Murguia in his campaign against Francisco Villa, rumors have reached here of the separation of General Sal-azar from Villa and of his unconditional surrender to government forces. Another rumor has it that Villa's followers had a battle among themselves at Santa Yeabel over the division of spoils taken from Chihuahua City.

General Murguia, after a visit to his forces in the field, returned here and again disappeared.

SALVAGED CARGO OF THE STEAMER SANTIAGO

vaged cargo of the stranded Southern Steamship Company's steamer Santiago. Captain Swinson reported the Santiago in a serious situation. Hope has been abandoned among marine men of saving the vessel or the remaining eighty per cent. of her cargo. The Santiago, en route from New York for Tampa, went aground near Key West more than a week ago.

Tampa, Fla., With a Portion of It.

# **Condensed Telegrams**

There will be no midnight mass

The strike of the employes of the uban Railway Co. has been settled. Samuel H. Austin, of Phiadelphia

Charles Edward Hart, 69, professor meritus of Ethics at Rutgers college,

Gold coin to the amount of \$500,000 wa swithdrawn from the Sub-Treasury for shipment to Cuba.

The American Red Cross shipped re-lief supplies the last week to France, Belgium, Italy and Syria. Fire destroyed a block of buildings in the business section of Oskaloosa, Iowa, at a loss of \$250,000.

The Newark Retail Liquor Dealers' Protection Association raised the price of a pint of beer to 15 cents. President Wilson recommended the promotion of Brig. Gen. John J. Pershing to be a major general.

Secretary of State Lansing held con-ference with President Wilson regard-ing the German note on peace.

Charles M. Schwab announced that will make a gift of \$2,000,000 to rancis College, at Loretto, Pa.

Twelve persons lost their lives while hunting in the Maine woods during the game season which opened Nov. Hearing on national military training will begin today before a sub-commit-tee of the State military affairs com-

Adolph Lewisohn, a New York bank-er, held a brief conference with Pres-ident Wilson on the subject of prison

The Bank of Long Island has sent out checks amounting to over \$750,000 to the 19,000 members of its 1916 The total estimated production

wheat in the United States for 1916 was 639,866,000 bushels, against 1,025,-801,000 for 1915. C. W. Huntington was elected a member and chairman of the board of the Virginia Ranway to succeed C. W. Hotchkiss, deceased.

Adjt. Gen. Pearson announced tha the national guard of Massachusetts would be kept at maximum fighting

Ramon Pizana was sentenced to 15 years' imprisonment for participation with Mexican bandit raids in Brownsville, Texas, last summer Hugo Munsterberg, professor of psy-chology of Harvard University, died suddenly Saturday while lecturing be-fore a class at Radciffe College.

W. H. Truesdale, president of the Lackawanna announced a bonus ranging from 6 to 10 per cent, to employe

receiving \$2,000 or less a year. The French Chamber of Deputies adopted a motion abolishing the political censorship, while retaining the diplomatic and military censorship. matic and military cer

The U. S. army transport Kilpatrick arrived at New York with sixty-one members of the crew of the transport Sumner, still hard aground off Barne-

Reparesentative Rodenberg of Illi-nois, asked for an investigation by a committee into the shipment of munitions from the United States to Eu-Albert Metin general budget re-porter of the French Chamber of Dep-uties and formerly minister of labor,

was appointed under secretary of fi-Secretary of War Baker sent to the House a supplemental estimate of \$10,-186,000 to be used for the purchase of automaatic rifles for the regular army

A new line of steamships will be tablished next spring between Balti-more and Newburn, N. C. The route will include several ports in Virginia

Miss Mary E. McInness, 20 years old, telephone operator, employed in Boston, was struck and killed by express train on the Boston and Maine

Railroad at Malden. Twenty-three and a half million persons, or about 24 per cent. of the country's population, were enrolled in various educational institutions in the United States in 1916.

The American Girls' Aid announced that it has shipped 5,983 cases of clothing and other relief supplies to the war sufferers of France since the organization of the society.

Henry J. Dorgeloh, assistant cashier of the Coal & Iron National Bank, of New York, was sentenced to serve a term of five years' imprisonment in the inited States Penitentiary at Atlanta

The House postal committee voted 9 to 5 to discontinue the pneumatic, mail tube service at St. Louis, Chi-cago, Philadelphia and Boston, and to close the New York tubes within six

The French Consul General at New York issued a notice to all young Frenchmen in New York and in the United States, who were born in 1898 to report their names to the Consulate not The Board of Estimate appropriated \$400,000 for clearing up the snow in Manhattan, Brooklyn and the Bronx;

\$10,000 for the Borough of Queens and \$5,000 for Richmond. The American Relief Committee, raising funds to be sent by wireless for the relief of widows and orphans of the war in Germany, received \$13.at 814 last week, and an additional \$10,bt. 0000 from the Chicago branch.

The esablishment of an arbitration commission for the settlement of all claims between the nited States government and the Republic of Chile is proposed in a resolution introduced in the Senate by Senator Swanson.

# TO PROPOSE REPEAL OF ADAMSON LAW

The Object of Peace Conferences Between Railroad and Brotherhood Heads

## WOULD SUBSTITUTE A WORKING AGREEMENT

Representative Adamson Declares That Congress Will Not Agree to Its Repeal, That the Measure Was Passed in Good Faith and That Congress Will "Spank Both Sides to the Controversy if Necessary"-Asserts That It is a Constitutional Enactment Regulating Hours of Labor and Not of Wages-Declares the Roads and Their Men Must Settle Their Wage Disputes.

Washington. Dec. 17.—Reports that railroad and brotherhood heads in peace conferences have planned to propose the repeal of the Adamson act and the substitution of a working agreement of their own making for it, today aroused Representative Adamson, author of the law, to declare that congress would "spank both sides to the controversry if necessary."

Mr. Adamson, who is the house repular to the final agreement will be an interpretation of the Adamson law and interpretation of the Adamson law an interpretation of the Adamson law and the president stands for a compulsory arbitration law has put the brotherhood leaders in a conciliatory frame of mind.

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BHIPPING ACCIDENTS

ON BRITISH COAST Were Numerous Saturday Owing to Heavy Fog.

London, Dec. 17, 9.49 p. m.-Numer

d report that the lightship was collision with the steamer Welshian.

The Norwegian steamer Annavore ollided with the Belgian relief steamer Vightstroom lying at anchor in the Thames. The Annavore went ashore in a sinking condition. The sern if the Vightstroom was damaged.

The steamer Royal Transport collided in Barry Roads with an unidentified vessel and was compelled to go into drydock.

Since Sims and his wife were divorced several months ago, the children have been claimed by both father and mother at alternate periods. Sims recently married again.

Yesterday Sims stopped his automobile in the business direict, near the car of his former wife, and it is

The steamer Norahelmsie was towed into Portsmouth harbor after a collision with the steamer Chloris. The tug Morena from Buenos Aires strand-

OPPOSITION TO CURTAILMENT OF ALCOHOL IN FRANCE By Syndicate of Large Wine Spirit Dealers.

Paris, via London, Dec. 17.—The government's intention to prohibit the consumption of alcohol in France has aroused strong opposition among the large wine and spirit dealers. The syndicate of the wholesale merchants of Bordeaux is sending a deputation to Paris to remonstrate with Premier Briand. A protest signed by a Paris syndicate of wine and spirit merchants declared that the proposed measure will have a serious effect upon agri-culture as well as the wholesale and

**EDUCATIONAL SECTION OF** NEW MEXICAN CONSTITUTION

Teaching in Any School.

Queretaro, Mex., Dec. 17.—The con-stitutional assembly last night passed stitution barring cfergymen of all sect from teaching in any school, by a vote of 99 to 55. Felix M. Palavacini, former secretary of public instruction, who favored allowing clergymen to teach in private schools, bore the brunt of the debate, but delegates who based their arguments on "Remember the Inquisition" induced the assembly to pass the measure. pass the measure.

OF INDIAN LANDS 110,000 Acres in the Big Horn and Little Horn River Valley.

Billings, Mont, Dec. 17.—Approxi-mately 110,000 acres of lands in the Big Horn and Lattle Horn rivre valley within the Crow Indian reservation are to be offered for sale at public auctio at Crow Agency on January 2 next.
All bids must equal or exceed the appraised value of the land, which averages around \$20 an acre. The proceeds will be divided between 300 In-

Mr. Adamson, who is the house representative of President Wilson in resentative of President Wilson in railway legislation matters, is willing to co-operate in any plan employers and employers may evolve for the interpretation of his law as applied to working conditions, but will vigorously oppose repeal of it, as he thinks will the majorities of both houses, having defended the law the majorities of both houses. on the stump last fall, would not be anxious to defend the repeal of it in

"Congress will not agree to any repeal of the Adamson law," he said tonight. "The measure was passed in good faith and it is a constitutional enactment regulating hours of labor and not wages, Let the roads and their men settle their wage disputes.

"I hope that the negotiations between the railroads and their employes will result in an agreement which will not make further legislation necessary, but congress will see that the public gets a fair deal. If it becomes necessary to spank both sides, we'll spank them, though I hope that won't be necestary."

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Representative Adamson looks optimistically, however, upon the efforts of the railroads and brotherhoods heads to get together. He said the result of the presidential election made the employes more eager for peace than they were last fall and that the

FAMILIES OF WEALTH

INVOLVED IN KILLING Of Edward C. Sims, a Prominent Cat-

tleman at Snyder, Texas. reported files of wealth and wide social prominence in the southwest were involved in the killing yesterday of Edward C. Sims, a prominent cattlement

Mrs. Sims fired several shots from a small pistol, witnesses asserted, and wounded Sims twice. About the same time a heavy discharge from a shotgun was fired into Sims' right side causing almost instead of the same time. side, causing almost instant death.

Johnson later surrendered. Mrs.

Sims was not arrested and no charges were filed against her. She is the daughter of W. A. Johnson, president of the birst National Bank of Snyder.

AMERICAN SCHOONER MARCUS L. URANAN ABANDONED In a Water Logged Condition In the

London, Dec. 17, 10,04 p. m.—The merican schooner Marcus L. Uranan

try, was built in 1904 and was owned by the Coastwise Transportation com-pany of Boston. YOUTH'S DEATH SAID

TO BE DUE TO APOPLEXY. Joseph H. Sanford, 16, of Redding, Was Injured in Basketball Game. Redding, Conn., Dec. 17 .- Joseph H.

Sanford, the 16 year old son of D. S. Sanford, headmaster of the Sanford school, was found dead today in the power house connected with the school. The medical examiner says death was The medical examiner says death was due to apoplexy. The youth was captain of the school basketball team and it is believed he injured himself internally during a game last night.

When last seen he had gone to the power house to shut off the power, his usual duty. It was first thought he had been electrocuted.

SYLVIA PANKHURST WAS MOBBED BY A CROWD

London, Dec. 17, 11.20 p. m.—Sylvia, Pankhurst, the militant suffragetts, and a number of sympathizers endeavored to hold a "demonstration" at the East India dock gates this afternoon to demand peace. A big crown assembled and mobbed the speaker. The police interfered and rushed Miss Pankhurst and her friends to the police station, followed by a demonstrative crowd. The prisoners were half under ball for examination before

culture as well as the wholesals and retail dealers. As in the case of absinthe, prohibited since 1915, demands are to be made for substantial indemnities if the new measure goes demnities if the new measure goes to Lloyds. The despatch adds that three of the crew have been landed at St. Michaels, the remainder weer drowned. The Marcus L. Uranan, a five mast-ed schooner of 1,899 tons gross regis-